IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS AMARILLO DIVISION

ALLIANCE FOR HIPPOCRATIC MEDICINE, on behalf of itself, its member organizations, their members, and these members' patients, et al.,

Plaintiff,

v.

CASE No. 2:22-cv-00223-Z

U.S. FOOD AND DRUG ADMINISTRATION, et al.

Defendants

Unopposed Motion Of Ethics And Public Policy Center For Leave To File A Brief As Amicus Curiae In Support Of Plaintiffs' Motion For Preliminary Injunction and Brief in Support Thereof

Pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 7 and this Court's local civil rule 7.1, movant Ethics and Public Policy Center ("EPPC") respectfully seeks this Court's leave to file the accompanying brief as an amicus curiae in support of plaintiffs' motion for preliminary injunction (ECF #6). With respect to Local Rule 7.1(a) and (b), movant's counsel have been informed by plaintiffs' counsel that plaintiffs and defendants have mutually consented to the filing of amicus briefs and related motions on or before February 10, 2023. On that basis, movant's counsel attach a Certificate of Conference stating that defendants do not oppose this motion. A proposed Order is also submitted with this motion. Oral argument is not requested.

¹ Consistent with FED. R. APP. P. 29(a)(4)(E), counsel for amicus authored this brief in whole; no counsel for a party authored this brief in any respect; and no person or entity — other than amicus, its members, and its counsel — contributed monetarily to this brief's preparation or submission.

IDENTITY AND INTERESTS OF MOVANT

Movant EPPC is a nonprofit research institution that is based in Washington, D.C., and that is dedicated to defending American ideals and to applying the Judeo-Christian moral tradition to issues of public policy. EPPC works to promote a culture of life in law and policy and to defend the dignity of the human being from conception to natural death. EPPC has filed amicus curiae briefs in other cases involving abortion and drugs that might operate as abortifacients, including Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization, 597 U.S. (2022), Zubik v. Burwell, 578 U.S. (2016), and Burwell v. Hobby Lobby Stores, 573 U.S. 682 (2014).

REASON TO GRANT MOVANT'S AMICUS CURIAE STATUS

Movant EPPC respectfully submits that its proffered brief will assist the Court on the disputed legal question whether and to what extent federal criminal statutes prohibit sending mifepristone by U.S. mail or by common carrier and bring several relevant matters to the Court's attention. Movant EPPC therefore respectfully requests that this Court grant the motion for leave to file the accompanying amicus curiae brief.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF CONFERENCE

Pursuant to Local Rule 7.1(b), the undersigned counsel has been informed by plaintiffs' counsel that plaintiffs and defendants have mutually consented to the filing of amicus briefs and related motions on or before February 10, 2023. On that basis, movant's counsel certifies that defendants do not oppose this motion.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that this document has been served on all parties via the court's ECF system on this 10th day of February, 2023.

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